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CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

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Dear Dick,

In amplification of our recent luncheon conversation, the attached paper itemizes expanded Agency involvement in the Soviet Navy problem. Clearly, the DCI's responsibility for intelligence support to the President necessitates your staff's involvement in aspects of the Soviet naval problem, and it is difficult to specify how much duplication is necessary to meet that responsibility. However, since the fall of 1971, expanded Agency involvement has been particularly evident and has generated the concern I expressed to you on 29 August.

I hope this serves to clarify our discussion. If I can be of further assistance, please let me know.

Warm regards,

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*Many thanks for the 2 papers you so  
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